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1. THIS CABLE PROVIDED ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS PRESENTED IN
REF B CONCERNING NARCOTICS TRAINING FACILITIES IN INDONESIA.

A) DO HOST GOVERNMENT AGENCIES OR ORGANIZATIONS CON-
CERNED WITH NARCOTICS CONTROL HAVE A NARCOTICS TRAINING PROGRAM,
PER SE?

YES. TWO NARCOTICS TRAINING SESSIONS HAVE ALREADY BEEN
HELD AND A THIRD IS DUE TO BE HELD SOON. EACH SESSION
TRAINS 50 STUDENTS OVER A THREE MONTH PERIOD, AND IS
PATTERNED IN PART AFTER DEA COURSES ATTENDED IN THE U.S.
BY INDONESIAN POLICE PERSONNEL.

B) DO THESE AGENCIES PROVIDE NARCOTICS TRAINING AS
PART OF OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING PROGRAMS? HOW
MEANINGFUL AND HOW INTENSIVE IS IT, AND AT WHAT LEVELS
DOES IT EXIST -- NATIONAL, STATE OR LOCAL?

NARCOTICS TRAINING IS PROVIDED ONLY AT THE POLICE IN-
STITUTE OF HIGHER EDUCATION. IT IS HELD AT THE
NATIONAL LEVEL AND IS ONLY MODERATELY INTENSIVE IN
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NATURE.

C) WHAT GENERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING FACILITIES EXIST?

GENERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING IS GIVEN TO POLICE ENLISTED MEN; NCO'S; CANDIDATE OFFICERS; STUDENTS AT THE POLICE ACADEMY (4 YEARS); AT THE TRAINING CENTER FOR POLICE OPERATIONS UNITS (UNIFORM AND PLAINCLOTHES); AT THE SCHOOL FOR FIELD-GRADE OFFICERS; AND IN THE POLICE DIVISION OF THE ARMED SERVICES STAFF AND COMMAND COLLEGE.

D) WHAT TRAINING HAVE INSTRUCTORS OF THESE FACILITIES HAD, AND WHAT ARE THEIR CAPABILITIES FOR NARCOTICS INSTRUCTION?

INSTRUCTORS RECEIVE GENERAL AND SPECIALIST TRAINING IN POLICE KNOWLEDGE, FOLLOWED BY A SPECIAL INSTRUCTOR'S COURSE. AS QUALIFIED INSTRUCTORS, THEY WILL BE CAPABLE OF NARCOTICS INSTRUCTION AFTER SPECIAL TRAINING. NARCOTICS TRAINING IS PROVIDED BY GRADUATES OF DEA SCHOOLS IN THE U.S. PLUS LECTURES BY DEA REPRESENTATIVE.

E) WHAT NARCOTICS TRAINING HAS BEEN PROVIDED TO/BY THEM WITHIN THE PAST THREE YEARS? BY USG, UN OR OTHER ORGANS?

THEY HAVE RECEIVED TWO WEEKS DEA TRAINING COURSE IN-COUNTRY IN 1974, AND HAVE IN TURN PROVIDED THE TWO TRAINING COURSES MENTIONED IN A) ABOVE TO OTHER PERSONNEL. IN ADDITION, FOUR OFFICERS HAVE RECEIVED NARCOTICS TRAINING BY THE GOVERNMENT OF PHILIPPINES.

F) WHAT ARE THE AVAILABLE MEASURABLE RESULTS (OR BEST ASSESSMENT) OF LOCAL TRAINING PROVIDED THUS FAR (I.E., SEIZURES, ARRESTS, ETC.)?

OPERATION GURITA (OCTOPUS) IS A CONTINUING 3-PART COUNTRY-WIDE ANTI-NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT EFFORT BEGUN IN 1975. PHASE II IS NOW UNDER WAY AND IS BASED ON INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM INTERROGATION FROM THOSE PERSONS ARRESTED IN PHASE I. A CONSPIRACY TYPE APPROACH IS BEING EMPLOYED IN PHASE II WHICH IS A DIRECT RESULT OF DEA TRAINING AND ADVICE. ARRESTS IN GURITA I TOTALED 252 PERSONS; GURITA II 296 PERSONS. SEIZURES OF DANGEROUS DRUGS IN GURITA I AND GURITA II ARE NOT YET EVALUATED IN WEIGHTS BECAUSE MOST WERE UNCLASSIFIED

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FOUND IN PACKETS AND BOTTLES OF VARIOUS SIZES. DEA ALSO PROVIDED INFORMATION ON A HEROIN LABORATORY IN RIAU ISLANDS. POLICE CONDUCTED THREE MONTH SEARCH WHICH RESULTED IN LAB SEIZURE, ARRESTS OF SEVERAL PERSONS, AND SEIZURE OF QUANTITIES OF OPIUM AND HEROIN.

G) WOULD HOST COUNTRY ACCEPT A PROGRAM TO DEVELOP ITS OWN NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

PROGRAMS AS OUTLINED?

YES. INDONESIA WOULD LIKE TO HAVE AT LEAST 40 OFFICERS TRAINED BY A U.S. TEAM IN FY 1977 FOR TWO PURPOSES: 1. TO ENLARGE THE NUMBER OF CURRENTLY QUALIFIED NARCOTICS OFFICERS FOR DAILY DUTY ALL OVER THE COUNTRY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. 2. TO HAVE A SPECIAL TEAM OF NARCOTICS INSTRUCTORS WITH COMPREHENSIVE AND THOROUGH KNOWLEDGE. THEY MAY BE CHOSEN FROM OFFICERS WHO HAVE HAD LOCAL TRAINING IN PREVIOUS YEARS.

H) WHAT ARE MISSION'S RECOMMENDATIONS AS TO APPROACH WHEREBY U.S. COULD ASSIST IN IMPROVING EXISTING LOCAL TRAINING CAPABILITIES FOR NARCOTICS LAW ENFORCEMENT?

MISSION RECOMMENDS TWO-WEEK IN-COUNTRY TRAINING PROGRAM FOR NATIONAL POLICE OFFICERS FOLLOWED BY TWO-WEEK TRAINING COURSE FOR NATIONAL POLICE INSTRUCTORS ONLY. TO MAKE INDONESIA'S NARCOTIC INTERDICTION PROGRAM MORE EFFECTIVE, IT IS ALSO RECOMMENDED THAT ADDITIONAL TWO-WEEK TRAINING COURSE BE PROVIDED TO INSTRUCTORS OF THE INDONESIAN CUSTOMS SERVICE.

I) WHAT IS THE FEASIBILITY, PROBABILITY AND CAPABILITY OF HOST COUNTRY CONDUCTING REGIONAL TRAINING? I.E., TRAINING FOR NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES? IT IS THE STATED INTENTION OF THE NATIONAL POLICE TO HAVE FULL TIME NARCOTICS SQUADS SUBORDINATE TO THE NARCOTICS DIRECTORATE IN JAKARTA IN EACH OF THE 17 REGIONAL POLICE COMMANDS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. THE NATIONAL POLICE ARE PRESENTLY CONCENTRATING ON TRAINING REGIONAL PERSONNEL FOR THESE NARCOTICS SQUADS. AS A RESULT THERE IS NO FEASIBILITY OR PROBABILITY THAT THEY COULD OR WOULD TRAIN OFFICERS FROM NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES.

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THEY APPEAR CAPABLE FOR CARRYING OUT DOMESTIC TRAINING BUT CURRENTLY LACK SUFFICIENT IN-DEPTH EXPERIENCE IN SOUTHEAST ASIAN INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS TRAFFIC. MUCH OF THEIR PRESENT KNOWLEDGE OF THIS INTERNATIONAL TRAFFIC HAS BEEN OBTAINED FROM DEA, AND THIS EXPERIENCE BASE IS BEING BROADENED AS A RESULT OF OPERATION GURITA.

2. EXCEPT AS NOTED ABOVE THE BASIC INFORMATION PROVIDED IN REF A IS STILL ACCURATE.

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